Weekly UI Data Report for the week ending April 29, 2006

	UI Data Summary		
	This Year	Last Year	% Difference
Initial Claims	5,312	6,368	-16.6%
Continued Claims	49,825	49,480	0.7%
Total Claims	55,137	55,848	-1.3%
State & Federal Benefits	\$12,727,491	\$12,064,819	5.5%
Exhaustions	1,469	1,562	-6.0%

- This report contains UI data for the week ending 04/29/06, the previous week, 04/22/06, and the same week a year ago, 04/30/05. Initial, Continued, and Total Claims are for UI, UCFE, and UCX combined.
- There were 5,312 Initial Claims for the week. This represented a decrease of 712 (-11.8%) when compared to the previous week. When compared to the same week last year, there was a decrease of 1,056 (-16.6%).
- Ten of the local offices reported an increase in Initial Claims. The remaining 18 local offices reported a decrease. The Bedford local office had the largest increase in Initial Claims with 67 (+69.8%). The Muncie local office had the largest decrease in Initial Claims with 120 (-35.3%).
- This week Total Claims were at 55,137. Total Claims were down 2,734 (-4.7%) when compared to last week. When compared to the same week last year, Total Claims were down 711 (-1.3%).
- There were 49,825 Continued Claims this week. When compared to last week, Continued Claims were down 2,022 (-3.9%). When compared to last year, Continued Claims were up 345 (0.7%).
- The percentage of Continued Claims filed over the Internet was 61.1%. The percentage from the same week last year was 53.9%. The percentage of Initial Claims filed over the Internet was 41.3%. The percentage from the same week last year was 32.3%.
- State and Federal Benefits totaled \$12,727,491 for the week. When compared to the previous week, benefits were up 9.3%. Benefits were up 5.5% when compared to the same week a year ago.
- This week a total of 1,469 UI intrastate claimants exhausted their benefits. This represented a decrease of 74 (-4.8%) when compared to the prior week. When compared to the same week last year, this represented a decrease of 93 (-6.0%).

•	The average number of non-supervisory hours worked in March 2006 was 42.3. This resulted in an increase of 0.5 hours when compared to the revised value for February 20 When compared to March 2005, this was an increase of 0.4 hours.			

• The top ten local offices with the largest number of Total Claims are listed below. Together they accounted for 55.0% of the Total Claims load for the state.

Current Week			Previous Week		
04/29/06			04/22/06		
1	Indpls. Westside	4,537	1	Indpls. Eastside	4,942
2	Indpls. Eastside	4,482	2	Indpls. Westside	4,755
3	Fort Wayne	3,631	3	Fort Wayne	3,792
4	South Bend	2,807	4	Elkhart	2,907
5	Elkhart	2,677	5	South Bend	2,874
6	LaPorte	2,571	6	LaPorte	2,761
7	Kokomo	2,470	7	Shelbyville	2,546
8	Gary	2,467	8	Gary	2,544
9	Shelbyville	2,412	9	Kokomo	2,528
10	Evansville	2,318	10	Muncie	2,435
	Total	30,372		Total	32,084

• The top ten local offices with the largest decrease in Total Claims are listed below.

Current Week			Previous Week		
04/29/06			04/22/06		
1	Indpls. Eastside	-460	1	Indpls. Westside	-317
2	Elkhart	-230	2	Shelbyville	-158
3	Indpls. Westside	-218	3	Indpls. Eastside	-133
4	LaPorte	-190	4	Auburn	-110
5	Fort Wayne	-161	5	South Bend	-69
6	Shelbyville	-134	6	Lafayette	-64
7	Auburn	-130	7	Linton	-57
8	Marion	-127	8	Bloomington	-55
9	Muncie	-123	9	Bedford	-53
10	Terre Haute	-114	10	Logansport	-45
	Total	-1,887		Total	-1,061